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## **Lt. Governor Skillman Awards \$1.7 Million in Homeowner Repair and Improvement Grants**

INDIANAPOLIS – Lt. Governor Becky Skillman today announced that 14 communities will receive grants to assist with Homeowner Repair and Improvement (HRI) activities for homeowners in need of minor homes repairs. The federally funded grants, totaling over \$1,702,750, will assist 87 households throughout rural communities.

“We are fortunate to partner with these cities and towns to ensure safety, improve the current housing stock, and sustain the long-term quality of life of residents across Indiana,” said Lt. Governor Skillman, who oversees the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority. “These repairs help homeowners preserve the value of their property and remain in their community of choice.”

The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA) allocates Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for housing activities bi-annually through a competitive application process. The awards are in the form of grants that the recipients administer in their local municipalities to serve low to moderate income homeowners who qualify for assistance.

Grantees include:

<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>
City of Austin	HRI	\$250,000
City of Ligonier	HRI	\$171,750
Town of Shirley	HRI	\$125,000
City of Linton	HRI	\$125,000
Town of Spencer	HRI	\$77,000
Town of Switz City	HRI	\$54,500
Board of Commissioners of Orange County	HRI	\$112,000
Town of Odon	HRI	\$125,000
Town of Cambridge City	HRI	\$125,000
Board of Commissioners of Washington County	HRI	\$112,000
Board of Commissioners of Lawrence County	HRI	\$76,500
Switzerland County Commissioners	HRI	\$125,000
Town of Paoli	HRI	\$112,000

City of Mitchell	HRI	\$112,000
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*The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA) creates housing opportunity, generates and preserves assets, and revitalizes neighborhoods by investing financial and technical resources in the development efforts of qualified partners throughout Indiana. IHCDA believes that growing Indiana's economy starts at home. For more information, go to [www.ihcda.in.gov](http://www.ihcda.in.gov). For updates from Lt. Governor Becky Skillman and the agencies she oversees, please sign up at [www.lg.in.gov](http://www.lg.in.gov)*